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Independent Auditor's Report On Compliance With State Laws And Regulations

Chairman of the Board Puget Sound Schools Risk Management Pool Seattle, Washington

We have audited the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents, of the Puget Sound Schools Risk Management Pool, King County, Washington, as of and for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated November 15, 1996.

We also performed tests of compliance with state laws and regulations as required by *Revised Code of Washington* (RCW) 43.09.260. This statute requires the State Auditor to inquire as to whether the risk management pool complied with the laws and the *Constitution of the State of Washington*, its own ordinances and orders, and the requirements of the State Auditor's Office.

Compliance with these requirements is the responsibility of the risk management pool's management. Our responsibility is to make a reasonable effort to identify any instances of misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance in office on the part of any public officer or employee and to report any such instance to the management of the risk management pool and to the Attorney General. However, the objective of our audit of the financial statements was not to provide an overall opinion on compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of our tests indicated that, with respect to the items tested, the risk management pool complied, in all material respects, with the applicable laws and regulations referred to in the preceding paragraphs. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the risk management pool had not complied, in all material respects, with those provisions.

This report is intended for the information of management and the chairman of the board and to meet our statutory reporting obligations. This report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. It also serves to disseminate information to the public as a reporting tool to help citizens assess government operations.

Brian Sonntag State Auditor

November 15, 1996

PUGET SOUND SCHOOLS RISK MANAGEMENT POOL King County, Washington September 1, 1995 Through August 31, 1996

Independent Auditor's Report On Financial Statements And Additional Information

Chairman of the Board Puget Sound Schools Risk Management Pool Seattle, Washington

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Puget Sound Schools Risk Management Pool, King County, Washington, as of and for the fiscal years ended August 31, 1996 and 1995, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the risk management pool's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Puget Sound Schools Risk Management Pool at August 31, 1996 and 1995, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the fiscal years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The Comparative Schedule of Claims Development Information, Reconciliation of Claims Liabilities, and the Reconciliation of Claims Liabilities by Type of Contract are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding methods of measurement and presentation of supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and do not express an opinion on it.

Brian Sonntag State Auditor

November 15, 1996